6714. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Amortizable Bond Premium [TD 8746] (RIN: 1545–AU09) received December 30, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means

6715. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Empowerment Zone Employment Credit [TD 8747] (RIN: 1545–AU30) received December 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6716. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Qualified Zone Academy Bonds [TD 8755] (RIN: 1545–AV74) received January 6, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6717. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Rules and regulations [Rev. Proc. 98-9] received January 6, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6718. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Definition of United States Resident; Religious Record of Birth or Baptism as Evidence of Citizenship; Plan to Help Blind and Disabled Individuals Achieve Self-Support [Regulations No. 16] (RIN: 0960-AE05) received November 26, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6719. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Technical Change Regarding Duty Free Entry of Metal Articles [T.D. 98-4] received December 31, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6720. A letter from the Acting Associate Chief, Forest Service, transmitting annual report covering major accomplishments of the Forest Service for fiscal year 1996, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1674(c); jointly to the Committees on Agriculture and Resources.

6721. A letter from the Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting the Agency's annual report on activities under the Denton Program for the period July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997; jointly to the Committees on National Security and International Relations.

6722. A letter from the Chairperson, United States Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting the Commission's report entitled "Equal Educational Opportunity and Non-discrimination for Students with Disabilities: Federal Enforcement of Section 504," pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1975; jointly to the Committees on Education and the Workforce and the Judiciary.

6723. A letter from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting a copy of the Board's request for supplemental appropriations, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. app. 1903(b)(7); jointly to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Appropriations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

[Pursuant to the order of the House on November 13, 1997 the following report was filed on December 19, 1997]

Mr. LEACH: Committee on Banking and Financial Services. H.R. 217. A bill to amend

title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act to consolidate the Federal programs for housing assistance for the homeless into a block grant program that ensures that States and communities are provided sufficient flexibility to use assistance amounts effectively; with an amendment (Rept. 105–407). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of Rule X and clause 4 of Rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. NETHERCUTT:

H.R. 3089. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the submission to Congress and the public of the identity of any individual for whom a waiver of the eligibility requirements for interment in Arlington National Cemetery is granted, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mrs. CHENOWETH, and Mr. ROHRABACHER):

H.R. 3090. A bill to require the withdrawal of the United States from the International Monetary Fund; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.R. 3091. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to require a twothirds vote on the passage of legislation that repeals, increases, or waives the discretionary spending limit or repeals or waives the pay-as-you-go provisions of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 if the current year budget was not in surplus or the budget for the fiscal year immediately preceding such year was not in surplus; to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BARR of Georgia:

H.R. 3092. A bill to repeal authority for administration of an au pair program by the United States Information Agency; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. BARR of Georgia:

H.R. 3093. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to add the drug flunitrazepam to schedule I of the schedules of control substances; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. GIBBONS (for himself and Mr. ENSIGN):

H.R. 3094. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from promulgating certain regulations relating to Indian gaming activities; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. ARCHER (for himself and Mr. KASICH):

H.R. 3095. A bill to establish the Bipartisan Panel to Design Long-Range Social Security Reform; to the Committee on Ways and Means

By Mr. GREENWOOD:

H.R. 3096. A bill to correct a provision relating to termination of benefits for convicted persons; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. LARGENT (for himself, Mr. PAXON, Mr. KASICH, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland,

Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CAMPBELL, CANNON, Mr. Снавот, CHENOWETH, Mr. COOKSEY, CUBIN, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. DUNCAN, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. EHRLICH, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. Ensign, Mr. Foley, Mr. FORBES, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Ms. Granger, Mr. Hoek-STRA, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. Jones, Mr. Linder, Mr. Manzullo, Mr. McCrery, Mr. McIntosh, Mr. METCALF, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. NETHERCUTT. Mr. NORWOOD. PAUL, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. RADAN-OVICH, Mr. REDMOND, Mr. RIGGS, Mr. RILEY, Mr. SANFORD, Mr. SCAR-BOROUGH, Mr. BOB SCHAFFER, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHADEGG, Mrs. LINDA Washington, SMITH of Mr. SNOWBARGER, Mr. STUMP, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. TALENT, Mr. TAUZIN, Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. WAMP, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. WICK-ER, Mr. PITTS, Mr. McKEON, and Mr. BONILLA):

H.R. 3097. A bill to terminate the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LIVINGSTON:

H.R. 3098. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to terminate public financing of Presidential election campaigns; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCNULTY (for himself, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. FORD, Mr. PAUL, Mr. NADLER, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. FROST, Mrs. MYRICK, and Mr. BALDACCI):

H.R. 3099. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to require that recipients of Federal payments have the option to receive such payments by electronic funds transfer or by check; to the Committee on Govern-

ment Reform and Oversight. By Mr. BONIOR (for himself, Mr. GEP-HARDT, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. DELAURO, Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut, Mr. CLAY, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. Berman, Mr. Blagojevich, Mr. BROWN of California, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. COYNE, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. EVANS, Mr. Fattah, Mr. Filner, Mr. Frank of Massachusetts, Mr. GEJDENSON. Mr. Green, Mr. Gutierrez, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HEFNER, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. HINCHEY, Ms. JACKSON-Lee, Mr. Kennedy of Massachusetts, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. KLINK, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. Lantos, Ms. Lofgren, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. MANTON, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Matsui, Mr. McDermott, Mr. McGovern, MEEK of Florida, Mr. MILLER of California, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. NAD-LER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OLVER, Mr. OWENS, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. RAHALL, Ms. ROYBAL-AL-LARD, Mr. RUSH, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. STARK, Mr. TORRES, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Ms. WATERS, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. FURSE, Mr. JACKSON, Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, Ms. KAPTUR. Ms. McKINNEY. Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. SABO, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. STOKES, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr.